

# SHEETGUARD FOR EFFECTIVE TREATMENT OF CUT EDGE CORROSION

**In early 2015 Midlands-based facilities management and construction specialists, Oakley Industrial Services, were engaged to carry out comprehensive dilapidation works at a 471,968 sq ft distribution centre in Skelmersdale.**

Further to providing a solution to line 1,400 linear metres of poorly maintained gutters to stop them leaking, the company was also tasked with identifying an effective solution to treat cut-edge corrosion that was causing water ingress over more than six kilometres of overlapping roof sheets.

Oakley director Peter Clarke needed an effective solution that would be simple to apply and could stand the test of time to prevent future rusting. After consulting commercial leak prevention experts HD Sharman, he chose the UK's first two-stage system to treat cut-edge corrosion, SheetGuard.

SheetGuard is a unique rust prevention system; easy to apply, it prevents further corrosion for a minimum of 10 years.

Peter explains: "This particular project had short timescales, and so it was important that we could find a system that wasn't restricted by the weather and was easy for the contractors to apply on site.

"HD Sharman provided training at our premises and on site for the nine operatives, which was very straightforward unlike other corrosion treatments we've used.

**"A KEY BENEFIT FOR US WAS THAT SHEETGUARD WAS THE ONLY SUCH SYSTEM TO CONTAIN A RUST INHIBITOR SO YOU DON'T NEED TO SMOOTH BACK TO METAL, YOU ONLY NEED TO GET RID OF THE LOOSE FLAKING ON THE CUT EDGE SURFACE WHICH ULTIMATELY SAVES A LOT OF VALUABLE PREPARATION TIME."**

The treatment of the cut-edge corrosion at the distribution centre took just six weeks to complete, and delivered immediate results.

Peter concludes: "The finish achieved with SheetGuard was really professional. You don't need to use gun mastic so there's no "speedbump" or dirt pick up so the roof isn't just protected it looks better too. Our commercial landlords really like the clean finish because it means the buildings are more attractive to tenants."

**"TAKING INTO ACCOUNT COST, PERFORMANCE AND EASE OF USE, SHEETGUARD IS STREETS AHEAD OF THE COMPETITION."**

